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Applicant(s): Karl-Heinz DAUM et al. Confirmation No.: 1670
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For: PROCESS AND PLANT FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF SULPHURIC ACID
FROM GASES RICH IN SULPHUR DIOXIDE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 30, 2008 in which claims 1-21 were subjected to restriction. The applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I (*i.e.*, claims 1-13). As is set forth in detail below, this election is made with traverse. Entry and consideration of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Applicants note that under 37 C.F.R. §1.7(a) when the last day to take action falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday within the District of Columbia, the action may be taken on the next succeeding business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, *i.e.*, December 1, 2008, without additional extension fees.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.